PROPOSED STATE STANDARD,
TITLE 8, CHAPTER 4

Amend Section 1637 to read as follows:

§ 1637. General Requirements.

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(u) Work on or from scaffolds is prohibited during storms or high winds unless a qualified person has determined that it is safe for employees to be on the scaffold and those employees are protected by a personal fall arrest system, as defined in Section 1504 of these Orders, or wind screens. Wind screens shall not be used unless the scaffold is secured against the anticipated wind forces imposed.
(v) Wood platforms shall not be covered with opaque finishes, except that platform edges may be covered or marked for identification. Platforms may be coated periodically with wood preservatives, fire-retardant finishes, and slip-resistant finishes; however, the coating may not obscure the top or bottom wood surfaces.
Note: Authority cited: Section 142.3, Labor Code. Reference: Section 142.3, Labor Code.

PROPOSED STATE STANDARD,
TITLE 8, CHAPTER 4

Amend Section 1658(e) to read:

§ 1658. Suspended Scaffolds-General.

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(e) Supporting Ropes. Ropes supporting scaffolds shall have a factor of safety of at least 6. They shall be inspected on each job before being used to determine if they are unsafe because of damage, wear, chemical action or similar defects. The use of repaired wire rope as suspension rope is prohibited.

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(v) Gasoline-powered equipment and hoists shall not be used on suspension scaffolds.
(w) Devices whose sole function is to provide emergency escape and rescue shall not be used as working platforms. This provision does not preclude the use of systems which are designed to function both as suspension scaffolds and emergency systems.
Note: Authority cited: Section 142.3, Labor Code. Reference: Section 142.3, Labor Code.